Mountain Weather Forecast

North Grampian

Including North and West Cairngorms National Park, Monadhliath, Ben Alder, Creag Meagaidh, Loch Ericht and Loch Rannoch
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Friday 26 Apr 2024 until 23:59 on Saturday 27 Apr 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 26 Apr 2024 at 02:16 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for cold and showery weather to continue on Friday and the weekend. Low for extent of any persistent snow on Sunday. High for a change to less cold weather early next week.

Headline for Friday 26 Apr 2024: Cold with a few wintry showers

Mountain weather hazards on Friday 26 Apr 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Low Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Light snow	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Light snow showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability					
20%	30%	40%	40%	30%	30%

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Weather: Variable cloud cover and a few sunny intervals. A few light snow showers in the morning, these becoming somewhat more widespread and occasionally heavier through the afternoon with a chance of hail. Best of the drier weather across the southwest of the area in the morning.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 60%

Low cloud and visibility: Mostly excellent visibility with great air clarity outside of cloud and showers. Poor in areas of cloud down to 500 metres at first, and down to 800 metres by afternoon as showers pass by, otherwise areas of cloud confined to the higher tops.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	12/15 N	11/14 N	8/12 N	9/13 N	8/11 NE	4/6 SE	6/8 S
900	9/11 N	7/10 N	7/11 NE	8/11 N	7/10 N	4/5 E	4/5 S
600	4/6 N	4/6 NE	7/11 NE	8/12 N	5/8 N	3/4 E	2/4 SW
300	2/5 NW	4/8 N	5/8 N	6/10 N	3/6 NW	3/5 NE	1/3 SE
Glen	2/8 NW	3/7 NE	4/8 NW	5/10 N	3/7 NE	3/5 NE	2/4 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1300	-5/-12	-5/-11	-4/-8	-2/-7	-3/-8	-4/-7	-5/-9
900	-2/-7	-2/-6	-0/-4	0/-3	-0/-4	-1/-4	-2/-4
600	-0/-3	0/-2	2/-2	3/-0	2/-0	1/-1	0/-1
300	2/0	3/2	4/2	6/4	4/3	2/1	1/-0
Glen	1/0	3/2	5/3	6/5	6/5	2/1	1/0
Freezing Level*	500m	600m	600m	700m	700m	700m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Best of the weather will be around Rannoch Moor and Ben Alder but even here a few showers likely by afternoon.

Forecast for Saturday 27 Apr 2024
Weather: Similar to Friday. Starting off bright and cold but cloud bubbling up to give a few light snow showers by afternoon. Light winds.

Maximum wind: Southerly 15 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 80%

Low cloud and visibility: Excellent visibility with great air clarity. Some patchy cloud above 900 metres.

Temperature: **Glens:** Minus 3 rising to plus 8 Celsius
At 800m: Minus 1 rising to 1 Celsius
Freezing level: 600 rising to 900 metres

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